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Crop Progress and Condition



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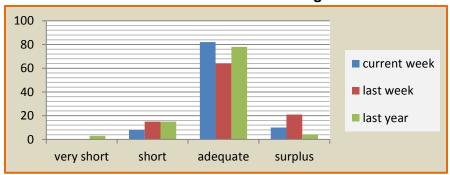
<u>Agricultural News</u>: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.9. Weather conditions were mostly hot and wet with scattered precipitation; some areas are getting dry. Farming activities this week included making hay, harvesting wheat, planting corn and soybeans.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/08/18

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	%	%	%	%	
Topsoil	-	8	82	10	
Subsoil	-	9	85	6	

⁻Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/08/18



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 07/08/18

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	21	69	9
Peaches	-	2	29	67	2
Corn	3	4	26	58	9
Hay	-	5	25	67	3
Soybeans	-	-	8	84	8
Winter Wheat	1	5	31	54	9
Pasture	-	7	30	52	11
Cattle & Calves	-	4	20	66	10
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	13	80	5

⁻ Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 07/08/18

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg	
	%	%	%	%	
Corn planted	90	83	99	99	
Corn emerged	81	71	95	93	
Hay first cut	83	71	86	78	
Soybeans planted	80	77	96	95	
Soybeans emerged	74	69	90	88	
Winter Wheat headed	93	83	99	98	
Winter Wheat harvested	38	20	59	41	

⁻ Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending July 8, 2018

Temperatures remained at or just above normal for the week, however drier air moved in with a cold front near the end of the week making for more pleasant conditions. Nearly every station statewide reached the 90s during the week, and most stations dropped into the 50s once the cold front passed. Thunderstorms dominated the weather pattern for the week, and with the thunderstorm activity precipitation amounts varied throughout the State. The only organized system was the cold front that passed over the State late in the week. Flooding was reported in several areas throughout West Virginia. With a few exceptions, the Southwestern part of the State was the driest and the North Central area received the most rain.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Belington had the highest recorded temperature of 98 degrees. Elkins, Beckley, Keyser and Moorefield had the lowest recorded temperature of 48 degrees. The state average temperature was 74 degrees.

<u>Precipitation:</u> Elkins had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.87 inches. Charleston had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.20 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.93 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 07/08/18

	Temperature				Precipitation				
			We	eekly	We	eek's	Since April 1st	Same Week	Season
Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2018	Last Year	Normal
NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	93	57	74	2	1.15	0.80	19.45	17.59	12.92
PARKERSBURG	95	56	76	2	0.29	0.88	14.06	16.58	12.81
CRESTON	95	53	75		0.97		14.51	13.80	
NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	92	57	75	2	0.63	1.06	15.61	18.58	13.45
CLARKSBURG	94	53	75	3	0.74	1.04	16.33	19.92	13.81
BELINGTON	98	53	76		2.78		21.30	16.07	
WESTON	95	54	75		1.56		22.25	17.66	
SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	94	56	77		0.34		13.11	22.74	
HUNTINGTON	94	61	77	1	0.56	0.94	12.73	14.76	13.31
CHARLESTON	94	58	76	1	0.20	1.04	12.87	17.12	13.72
RIPLEY	95	53	75		0.97		15.20	13.93	
CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	86	51	70		1.58		22.52	20.27	
ELKINS	91	48	72	2	2.87	1.23	21.21	14.27	14.99
MARLINTON	94	50	73		0.43		15.14	17.36	
SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	87	48	71	0	1.25	1.05	12.71	18.29	13.44
PINEVILLE	93	55	75		0.51		14.43	23.01	
BLUEFIELD	90	51	73	0	0.74	0.96	11.65	20.87	13.10
WHITE SUL SP	92	49	72		0.24		14.64	15.08	
BLUESTONE DAM	89	54	73		0.26		13.10	16.52	
NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	97	52	77	2	0.83	0.78	21.61	16.31	12.31
KEYSER	94	48	74		0.66		20.64	16.80	
MOOREFIELD	91	48	74		0.81		16.07	11.96	
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State Average Temperature 74 State Average Precipitation 0.93

Source:

Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.